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May 18, 1992

Mr. David P. Beatty Environmental/Occupational Health Coordinator Barrick Resources (USA), Inc. P.O. Box 838 Tooele, Utah 84074:

Dear Mr. Beatty

Re: Approval of Permit Amendment, 1992 Reservation Canyon Tailing
Impoundment Expansion Project, Barrick Resources (USA), Inc., Barrick
Mercur Gold Mine, M/045/017, Tooele County, Utah

The Division has completed its evaluation of Barrick Resources (USA), Inc. (Barrick) application to revise and expand the Reservation Canyon Tailing Impoundment. The application was originally filed with the State Division of Water Rights (DWR) - Dam Safety, and the State Division of Water Quality (DWQ) in March 1992.

Because the proposed dam expansion will not have a significant impact on the final reclamation plan or the reclamation surety, we will defer to the final technical design requirements of the State DWR and DWQ. Our approval is conditional upon Barrick's acquisition of appropriate approvals/clearances from those agencies. Please provide us with a copy of the final approved design drawings so we may update your mining and reclamation plan accordingly.

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Thank you for your continued cooperation in keeping us copied and informed of Barrick's required changes to ongoing operations at the Mercur Gold Mine. Please contact me directly if you have further questions or concerns in this regard.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

Minerals Regulatory Program

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